

EXHIBIT A

DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

DIRECT REPORT CORPORATION d/b/a/
SHAREHOLDER.COM,

Plaintiff,

v.

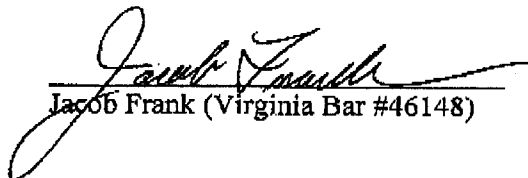
CCBN.COM, INC., THE THOMSON
CORPORATION, JOHN DOES 1 through 5,
and JANE DOES 1 through 5,
Defendants.

Civil Action
No. 04-10535 PBS

AFFIDAVIT OF JACOB FRANK

1. I am an active member of the bar in the Commonwealth of Virginia, and Of Counsel with the Alliance Law Group (ALG) in Tysons Corner, Virginia and Harrity & Snyder in Fairfax, Virginia.
2. I am also admitted to practice in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the District of Columbia.
3. I am a member of the bar in good standing in every jurisdiction where I have been admitted to practice, including the Commonwealth of Virginia, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the District of Columbia.
4. There are no disciplinary proceedings pending against me as a member of the bar of any jurisdiction.
5. I am familiar with the local rules of the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts.

Signed under the pains and penalties of perjury.



Jacob Frank (Virginia Bar #46148)

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